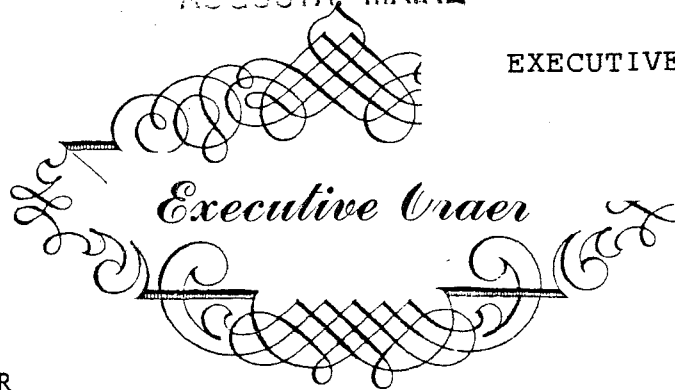


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INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVIEW OF FEDERAL PROGRAMS

WHEREAS, formal communication involving local officials in the decisions of federal and State agencies has been identified as a priority by the Governor; and

WHEREAS, it is important for the State to convey Maine's position on federal financial and development assistance programs and activities to federal agencies responsible for these decisions; and

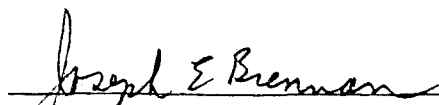
WHEREAS, the Act Relating to Regional Planning and Development Districts as codified in Title 30, Chapter 239, Section 4522, Maine Revised Statutes Annotated, grants designated Regional Planning Commissions and Councils of Governments the authority to receive, review, and comment on federal, state, and local projects; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Government, in its efforts to improve inter-governmental relations, has rescinded Circular A-95 Review in favor of a State-designed process for reviewing and commenting on federal programs and activities;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOSEPH E. BRENNAN, Governor of the State of Maine, order that a State process for intergovernmental review of federal programs be established.

The State Planning Office shall be responsible for design and implementation of the State intergovernmental review process and its procedures. The State Planning Office shall also serve as the single point of contact between the federal agencies and the State in the review of federal financial and development assistance programs.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that the Regional Planning Commissions and Councils of Governments shall serve as area clearinghouses, to receive and organize the comments of local officials and transmit these comments to the State. In the absence of a Regional Planning Commission, The State Planning Office shall designate an appropriate entity to perform the role of area clearinghouse.

  
JOSEPH E. BRENNAN  
Governor